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THE WRIGHT ELECTION.

The county of Wright, Quebec, where a federal election was held on Monday, has apparently returned a Conservative, although the returns are not yet complete. There were two Liberals in the field and this enabled the Conservative to win in a constituency that is very strongly Liberal and gave Sir Wilfrid Laurier nearly 1,000 in the general election.

It will be recalled that previous to the contest of Nov. 3, there were quarrels among two or three Liberals as to whom should be the candidate, and to settle the difficulty all were induced to withdraw, and the premier was nominated in Wright as well as in Quebec east. Deciding to sit for his old constituency Sir Wilfrid resigned the seat for Wright and Monday's bye-election was the result.

The difficulties among the aspiring Liberals of the constituency apparently only temporarily settled by the premier's nomination last autumn, broke out afresh when the new election was called, and have resulted in the constituency being lost to the Liberal party.

The Conservatives naturally are taking considerable satisfaction out of the vote, and if the Liberals are beaten and humiliated by it they have themselves to blame. United in Wright they could have beaten the enemy to a standstill; divided they have lost the constituency.

Later.—Since the above was written our despatches say that fuller returns give Devlin, Liberal, a majority of one hundred. It is not likely that the completed figures will overcome this, so that the rejoicing of our Conservative friends was rather premature. However, the Liberals have been taught a lesson by dividing their forces, and it is to be hoped they will profit from it.

WHITNEY CRITICIZED.

Mr. Whitney, the new Conservative premier of Ontario is being censured because he has not given fair representation in his cabinet to the various religious denominations of the province, but that is a very narrow kind of criticism. In this country where men of every religious community are equal before the law, a political leader should not be asked to stop and consider whether this or that politician is available because he belongs to a certain church.

It seems that Mr. Whitney has given four of the portfolios to members of the Church of England, two to Roman Catholics, and one to a Methodist, while of the fore-castle members of the administration, one is a Presbyterian and none are Baptists.

The Toronto News explains on behalf of Mr. Whitney that as the bulk of his support in the province is from the Anglicans, they are entitled to a large representation, and that the Liberal party is largely made up of Presbyterians and Baptists. The explanation is unfortunate because as we observed before, a political leader should not stop to think of the religious belief of men available for cabinet positions. Premier Ross is a Presbyterian, an elder in the Kirk at that, but it was never charged against him that he filled up his cabinet with members of his own church.

Discussing the absence of Presbyterians from the cabinet the Toronto Telegram remarks that "the glory has departed from Ontario, that Calvinism is at a discount in the new cabinet, and that for the first time since Confederation there is not a man in the Government who could stand an examination on the Shorter Catechism."

With respect to the report that Mr. Whitney will pass legislation giving the leader of the opposition a salary equal to that of a cabinet minister, the premier says he has not given the matter any consideration.

THE QUEBEC DIFFICULTY.

The latest reports of the Quebec government quarrel declare Premier Parent will almost immediately resign, and that Hon. Lomer Gouin, the leader of the bolting ministers, will be called upon to form a government.

This is said to be the conclusion reached after a conference of the parties immediately concerned with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and the other Quebec federal ministers, and it is claimed to be the best course if the Liberal party in the Quebec legislature is to be prevented from going to self destruction.

Premier Parent has made a gallant struggle against considerable odds, and his surrender, if he makes it, is only accomplished after all diplomatic efforts have been exhausted. Perhaps if he were in better health he would be inclined to fight the matter out with the bolting ministers, but on the other hand what would be the use of his prolonging the struggle if a majority of the legislature are against him, as is alleged apparently with truth.

Mr. Parent deserved a better fate at the hands of the men whom he called to his cabinet, but their vaulting ambition to control the government could not be realized so long as he stood in the way, and he must be sacrificed.

The reports of the S. P. C. A. show that some good work was done during the past year, and it was accomplished without any expense. The public however seems to take very little interest in the humane work of the society, only some half dozen gentlemen attending the annual meeting. It is proposed to organize a Ladies' Auxiliary and when the ladies take hold we may anticipate that new life will be thrown into the society, which is largely indebted with the public to those energetic gentlemen Dean Partridge, Secretary Sampson and Mr. J. D. Phinney for what has been accomplished in recent years.

It must be confessed that Mr. Foster's recent explanation of the nest of traitors episode of 1896 has not thrown very much light on the subject, nor tended to justify the brutal treatment accorded Sir Mackenzie Bowell by the bolting ministers. Yet Foster is loud in his denunciation of the present struggle in Quebec ministerial circles. The action of Messrs. Gouin, Weir and Turgeon, is open, honorable and above board compared with that of Mr. Foster and his six colleagues.

The storm was so severe in Northumberland last night that the convention of local government supporters to nominate a candidate for the vacant seat in the legislature was postponed for ten days.

BITS OF NEWS.

Hon. W. S. Fielding will sail from London (Eng.) on Wednesday by the Baltic for New York, and will be at Ottawa about the end of next week.

The result of the polling in the federal election in Wright County, Quebec, Monday will not be known for a day or so. The returns show so far McDougall (Conservative) who ran as an independent, to be about ninety votes ahead of Devlin (Liberal) with some distant polls to be heard from. There were two Liberals in the field.

While driving from Baie Verte towards Amherst Friday afternoon, Stephen B. Andres, monument manufacturer, of Amherst, expired in his pump. The horse continued on its way until met by several persons, who made the gruesome discovery that the driver was dead. Deceased was 65 years old and leaves a wife and family.

At Dayspring Sunday, a settlement about five miles from Bridgewater, N. S., fire broke out in a house occupied by two families, Edward Rodenhiser and Kenneth Leard. At the time the fire was discovered (2 a. m.) both the husbands were away from home. Some neighbors who were attracted to the scene by the



IMMIGRANTS HERE.

Mail Steamer Corinthian
Landed Large Number
at Halifax.

MOST OF THEM BRITISH TO SETTLE IN VARIOUS PARTS OF CANADA.

One of the Stewards Disappeared
During the Rough Voyage.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Halifax, Feb. 14.—The mail steamer Corinthian, Capt. Pitts, from Liverpool and Merville, which arrived at port this morning, reports the disappearance of one of the stewards.

The man, Alex. Johnstone, was last seen on board near Merville. Johnstone was formerly of the Tunisian, but joined the Corinthian this trip.

The steamer brought 12 saloon passengers, 100 second cabin, and 271 steerage.

The passengers are mostly British and are bound to different points including Toronto, Ottawa, Calgary, Brantford, Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Sarnia, Hamilton, and Victoria, B. C. There is also a small party of Finns, Danes and Turks, the latter for Montreal. There are also two Russian families for Copper Cliffs and some Finns for Michigan. About a dozen of the foreign passengers bound for Canadian points were held for examination. One family bound to the United States will be deported as incurable.

The officers report rough weather and head winds during the passage. They had particularly heavy weather Sunday and yesterday. The steamer came by the southerly course.

She saw little ice. She has 400 tons of cargo to land here and leaves for St. John tonight.

DEVLIN LEADS.

Straight Liberal 100 Ahead in Latest
Returns from Wright.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Hull, Que., Feb. 14.—The latest returns from the federal bye-election in Wright county give Devlin, the straight Liberal candidate, 100 majority.

(The morning papers reported McDougall, Conservative, leading by 90 majority with five polls to hear from).

TRURO CURLERS COMING.

Three Rinks will Play Here Tomorrow
Night—Special Meeting to Elect Skips.

President Hawthorn of the Fredericton curling club received a wire today from the Truro curlers saying that they would like to play the home club here, three rinks a side tomorrow, and an invitation has been extended to them to come along.

A special meeting of the club will be held this evening to elect skips for the match and members are requested to be on hand promptly at 7.30 o'clock.

It is a number of years since the Fredericton and Truro curlers met on the ice and the latter have never played here. They are keen curlers and will receive a very hearty welcome by their Fredericton brethren.

Valentine's Day.

This is Valentine's day, February 14th, and Edgcombe's big sale of men and boy's clothing at half price is now in full swing, also the March Delineator and fashion sheets have arrived.—d

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The bargains are being readily picked up. Only 7 Springs left.

3 Springs now	\$1 75	was	\$3 00
2 do do	1 65	do	2 50
1 do do	2 00	do	3 50
1 do do	1 00	do	4 00
1 Spring Cot now	\$1 35	was	\$2 75
1 do do	1 00	do	1 75
A few Cots do	1 60	do	2 00
8 Bedsteads do	2 50	do	5 00
4 do do	2 75	do	5 50
5 do do	3 00	do	6 00

If you need them now is the chance to buy. Strictly cash.

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Next week's sale will be on Lamps.